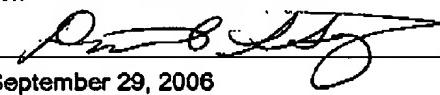
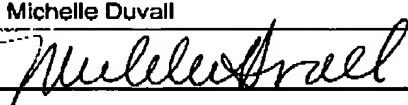


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Sir:

The following remarks are submitted to be fully responsive to the Office Action of June 29, 2006. Claims 1, 2, and 4-13 are still pending in the present application. Reconsideration of this application in light of the remarks below are respectfully requested.

Referring now to the Office Action, claims 1-2, 8, and 12-13 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by newly cited reference WO98/17493. The Examiner asserts that the '493 reference discloses all the limitations of the instant claims including a target means to calculate target pressure for a reservoir down stream of the compressor, the Examiner further asserting that the selection of the target pressure is carried out in real time. The Applicants respectfully disagree for the reasons set forth herein below.

In particular, as recited in independent claim 1, the control system of the present invention requires a target means to calculate in real time, a target pressure for a reservoir downstream of the compressor. In contrast, the cited '493 reference does not disclose any calculation of a target pressure. Instead, the cited '493 reference discloses a system that includes three set pressures for the reservoir including P_{min} , P_{int} , and P_{max} . It is important to note that each of these pressures is described in the '493 reference as being "predetermined" and "stored in the CPU" of the disclosed system. (See Pg. 6, lines 11-19;

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